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In re Patent Application of:
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For: VASCULAR ENDOTHELIAL GROWTH
FACTOR DIMERS

Examiner: M. Allen

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated August 29, 2006, for which a response was due on November 29, 2006. A three month extension of time is hereby requested, thereby extending the deadline for response to February 28, 2007. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.